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Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), Applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the January 10, 2002 Office Action in the above-identified application from February 10, 2002, to and including April 10, 2002. Please charge the small entity extension fee of \$200.00 to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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Respectfully submitted,

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